



## Alaska Coastal Rainforest Center Grant Supports ANSEP Students

The Alaska Coastal Rainforest Center at the University of Alaska Southeast has received \$500,000 from the National Science Foundation to study the linked forest and marine ecosystems of Southeast Alaska. The five-year grant will support an international network of scientists, resource managers, and students trying to understand how these forests store so much carbon, why the fisheries are so productive, and how warming temperatures and changing rain and snow patterns will affect forests and fisheries in Alaska, British Columbia and Washington State. The research network includes participants from universities, research centers, and resource agencies in Alaska, Washington, Oregon, California, British Columbia, and Patagonia. Alaska Native Science and Engineering Program (ANSEP) undergraduate students at UAS will be involved in all network activities, from field site visits to data management to creating web-based informational materials. While the network will lead to a better understanding of the region's important natural resources, it also will help build research partnerships and train the next generation of scientists and managers.

## UAS Selects New Provost



Dr. Karen Carey

### Welcome to Dr. Karen Carey

Dr. Karen Carey will begin work as UAS Provost effective July 1, 2016. Dr. Carey currently serves as Dean of Arts and Sciences at California State University Channel Islands, in Ventura, CA. In that position she is responsible for strategic planning and student learning as well as managing more than 200 faculty. Dr. Carey holds a Ph.D. in Psychology from the University of Cincinnati. UAS was fortunate to have three excellent finalists

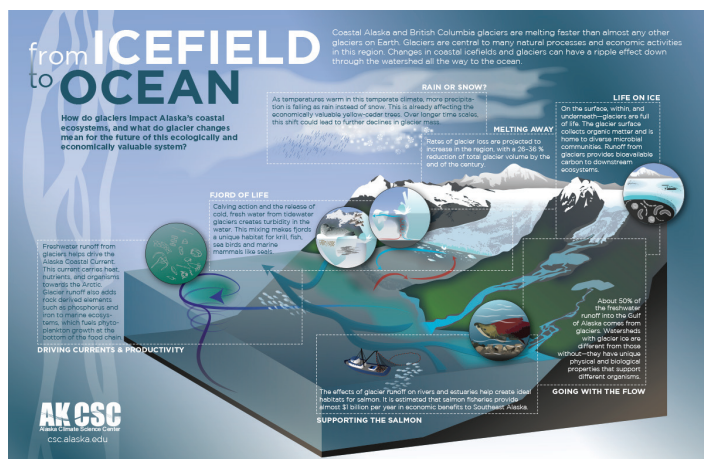
for this position. The decision to offer the position to Dr. Carey is consistent with the recommendation of a search committee, chaired by Professor of Biology and Natural Sciences Department Chair David Tallmon. Interim Provost Dr. Priscilla Schulte will continue in her role through June 30, 2016, after which she will return to her full time responsibilities as UAS Ketchikan Campus Director. "I appreciate the extraordinary dedication Dr. Schulte has shown in serving as Interim Provost," said Chancellor Rick Caulfield. "We look forward to welcoming Dr. Carey to our university and to the proven leadership she will provide."

## Dr. Erica Hill Named Fulbright Scholar

Associate Professor of Anthropology and Social Science department chair Erica Hill has been selected a 2016-2017 Fulbright Scholar. Hill will spend Fall 2016 at the University of Iceland studying the archaeology of Arctic human-animal relations. Hill's edited volume, *The Archaeology of Ancestors: Death, Memory, and Veneration* is available through the University Press of Florida. The work includes contributions from Hill and co-authors that exploring archeological case studies ranging from China, Africa, Europe, and Mesoamerica.

## Collaborative Research Poster Earns National Award

### Poster Features Alaska's Coastal Habitats



Kristin Timm of UAF, Shad O'Neel of the U.S. Geological Survey Alaska Science Center, and UAS Professor of Environmental Science Eran Hood received the 2015 Eugene M. Shoemaker Communication Award for their poster *From Icefield to Ocean*. This national award recognizes USGS products "that demonstrate extraordinary effectiveness in communicating and translating complex scientific concepts and discoveries into words and pictures that capture the interest and imagination of the American public". The poster demonstrates the relationships between Alaska's coastal glaciers, marine habitats, ocean currents, fisheries, and other organisms and economic activities. The work was supported by the Alaska Climate Science Center as part of Hood's project, Implications of Glacier Change in Alaska.

## UAS Leaders Host Discussion of Title IX Film: *The Hunting Ground*

Members of the UA Coalition of Student Leaders, led by UAS student president Callie Conerton, had an opportunity to view the campus sexual assault awareness documentary *The Hunting Ground* on February 27 at the Baranof Hotel in Juneau. The film was followed by a discussion with UAS Title IX Director Lori Klein about statewide efforts and work on Title IX compliance. Chancellor Rick Caulfield and his wife Annie, a school counselor, joined the conversation. Students discussed personal experiences and how to assist other students dealing with issues brought up in the film. A UAS Juneau campus screening and campus/community panel debrief is scheduled for April 16 as part of Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

## UAS Engagement in Prison Education

### Documentary *The Flying University* Premieres

*The Flying University*, a new 360 North documentary, premiered February 18 at the @360 Studio in Juneau. The short film takes viewers inside a literature and philosophy class at Juneau's Lemon Creek Correctional Center led by UAS English and Philosophy faculty Sol Neely. The film can be viewed at [www.360north.org/flying-university](http://www.360north.org/flying-university)

Interviews with inmates, former inmates, students, prison staff, Department of Corrections staff and Neely explore the importance of education in prison, recidivism, reentry, justice reform, and the need for community involvement.

The premiere was followed by a panel discussion with people from the documentary and experts in the field, and addressed questions about the current state of the justice system and how it can be improved. Former inmates who are now UAS students praised Juneau faculty including Glenn Wright, Robin Walz, Ernestine Hayes, Dan Monteith, Emily Wall and Rosemarie Alexander. The forum was moderated by documentary producer Scott Burton and has broadcast on 360 North public television on March 11, 2016.



*Pictured L-R: Scott Burton (Producer), Kara Lee Nelson (Haven House Director), Brandon Johnson (UAS student), Sol Neely (Flying University lead faculty), Nathan Block, Shawn Jessup, Marcos Gallindo (UAS students)*

## 2016 Written Art of Place

### Event Highlights Alaska Native Knowledge

English faculty and author Ernestine Hayes is hosting a day-long Written Art of Place event, Friday March 25 in the Glacier View Room on the Juneau campus. The work of UAS honorary doctorate recipient Dr. Nora Dauenhauer will be honored through presentations and exhibits by students, community members, and faculty. The event will also include visual exhibits of cookbooks, recipes, and the Juneau Indian Village.

## UA Student Leaders Rally in Support of University Budget

UAS Student Government led a rally outside the Capitol with a loud and clear message to the legislature: the University of Alaska is important to all Alaskans. "Keep Bright Stars in Alaska" was in response to a proposed more than \$50 million in cuts to the UA budget from the House Finance Subcommittee. More than fifty people attended the March 5 noon event, organized by the UA Coalition of Student Leaders. In addition to students from the three UA universities, other speakers included Rep. Sam Kito III, D-Juneau, Rep. Adam Wool, whose Fairbanks district includes UAF, and Anchorage Representative Berta Gardner. UAS Chancellor Emeritus John Pugh addressed how UA is meeting the challenge from the legislature to produce teachers, engineers, miners, and nurses. The Coalition of Student Leaders is a non-partisan coalition made up of students from across the University system who believe in the power of higher education for the State of Alaska.



*Coalition of Student Leaders Vice Chair and UAS Student Senate President Callie Conerton rallies legislators and supporters to support the University of Alaska.*

## School of Management Recognized by Society for HR Management (SHRM)

The School of Management recently announced that its Bachelor of Business Administration in Human Resource Management degree fully aligns with the *HR Curriculum Guidebook and Templates* from the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM). Three hundred eighty-nine programs in 291 educational institutions internationally are in alignment with suggested SHRM guides and templates. The guidelines were created in 2006 to define minimum HR study content areas at the undergraduate and graduate levels. UAS is the only institution in Alaska to offer a Human Resource Management emphasis. The online delivery of this degree program reaches students across Alaska, from Kotzebue to Ketchikan.